

# The Hamsplatter

A Newsletter for the Fort Wayne Radio Club Members

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## Cliff's Notes:

Are you tired of hearing about O.J.? Are you laughing at your own jokes before you tell them? Have the latest lightning strikes left you neutralized? Then maybe it's time for you to go with us on an Expedition. A DXpedition.

WHERE? Salem Church { our clubhouse }  
WHEN? Aug 19th  
TIME? 7:30 pm

Mike Good N9NN will be our guest speaker. Mike is an avid DX'er and well versed in DXpeditions. His travels have been featured in DXpedition Magazine. The expedition Mike will be presenting will be on the Kingman Reef located 1,000 mi South of Honolulu, Hawaii. Don't miss your chance to see what it takes to organize and execute a major DXpedition. This will be the next best thing to being there. If you own a grass skirt wear it! Please, no matches or Bic lighters allowed. We don't want any grass fires. This will be a great program! Don't miss it.

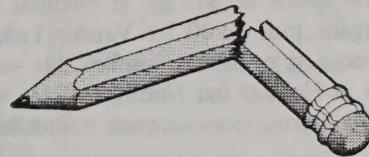
Club elections are on the horizon. A nominating committee will be formed at this month's meeting. I'm looking for a few good men and ladies.....

Keep thinking HAMFEST because it's coming up Sept 10. Volunteers are still needed. Please contact Jean Anderson N9PXF or John Goller K9UWA. Pre-Hamfest tickets are now on sale. See Bill Kindred WA9RAP. Save yourself a dollar. Buy now.

If you know any prospective hams who would like info on the FWRC let me know. I'll be sure to get a Hamsplatter out to them. Anyone need any club materials or info? Do you have an idea for a club program? Give me a call at 483-2526 or better yet stop by the shack! Have a safe August. See you at the "Meetin House".

"Saloon for Now"

73' Cliffie N9MKB



## July 1994 Minutes

*The following are the recorded minutes of the Fort Wayne Radio Club:*

The July meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club was called to order Friday, July 15, 1994 by President Cliff Shreve, N9MB at 7:50 P.M. Introductions followed.

The June minutes were read and approved. There was no treasurer's report.

The QSL cards are on hold for the summer reported Bill, WA9RAP.

Cliff reported that Field Day was a success in spite of a little rain. There was a good time and good food. Cliff thanked everyone for helping.

The next event is the hamfest September 10. Volunteers are needed for Friday, September 9 to set up tables. Volunteers were asked for the concession stand. There will be a meeting at Carole, WB9RUS's, house on July 27 at 7:00. WA9RAP has tickets, \$4 in advance, \$5 at the gate. We have 4 new vendors and are still growing.

There was no new business.

The program was by Jim Avilla, a pharmacist from St. Joe Medical Center. It was a very informative program.

*Respectfully submitted, Carole Burke, WB9RUS*

Club Callbooks: Need an address?

Contact Bill Kindred, WA9RAP, @ 485-8044

## **Summit City Computer Show & Hamfest**

Lets get out there and SELL TICKETS! This is YOUR HAMFEST...it is what supports your club....See or call Bill Kindred for Tickets 485-8044...Bill is the Ticket Master....Lets sell some TABLES to your friends that want to clean out their Junk Box....or whatever they have Electronics & Computers to sell....Please get some Advertisement Fliers at club meeting and put them up....anyplace you go....work, grocery store, hardware store, and help us advertise....you the club members will benefit from your efforts. Table Sales and Tailgaters contact John Goller, K9UWA, 637-6426 Tables are only \$15.00 inside & \$10.00 in Pavilion Bldg. or \$7.00 Tailgate...plus \$4.00 for Vendor Tickets....we have a special drawing for vendors this year....One Free Night at Holiday Inn NorthWest....as well as a discounted room for anyone attending our Hamfest.....

We are also looking for a few good men & women to help the day of the Fest...call John or Jean 637-6426....and Carole Burke WB9RUS is in charge of FOOD!!! Yes the FOOD at our hamfest is better than any other hamfest I have attended....cooked by our own YL's. 73 see you at Our Fest de JOHN

### **Mail To DX Countries**

- Jim AD1C

The following is from the Post Office. It's a good reference to check before you send out that obscure-country QSL request...

Afghanistan: All mail services are suspended as of May 24, 1994.

Ascension: No air parcel post service.

Chad: All surface mail is suspended. Air mail service including International Priority Airmail and Express Mail continue.

Cuba: No air or surface parcel post or small packet service. Service is limited to letters in the usual form, Braille letters for the blind, postcards, and printed matter sent as air mail, surface mail, International Priority Airmail (IPA) or International Surface Air Lift (ISAL).

East Timor: All surface mail is suspended. Air mail service is limited to ordinary air mail postcards and letters/letter packages addressed to the cities of Dili and Pante Makassar. No other classes of mail (air or surface) are permitted.

Ethiopia: No air or surface M-Bag service.

Falkland Islands: Air parcel post service is suspended because transportation is not available.

Iraq: Due to United States sanctions, mail is restricted

to a maximum weight of 12 ounces and may contain only personal communications not involving a transaction of anything of value. Air mail, Express Mail International (EMS), and International Priority Airmail (IPA) services continue subject to the content restriction. Surface mail including International Surface Air Lift (ISAL) and special services are not available.

Kampuchea (Cambodia): No small packet or parcel post service. Air and surface mail service is limited to postcards, letters/letter packages not exceeding 2 pounds, and printed matter, including books and publishers' periodicals not exceeding 4 pounds.

Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North Korea): No parcel post or small packet service. Air and surface service is limited to letters, postcards, printed matter, and matter for the blind.

Kuwait: All surface mail is suspended. Air, EMS, IPA, and ISAL services continue.

Lebanon: All surface mail is suspended. Service is limited to air postcards, letters/letter packages, small packets, printed matter, including books, and publishers' periodicals not exceeding 4 pounds, and parcel post items up to 11 pounds. IPA and ISAL services continue.

Liberia: All surface mail including ISAL is suspended. Air mail, EMS, and IPA services continue.

Libya: ISAL service is suspended because transportation is not available. Air mail, IPA, and regular surface mail services continue.

Mongolia: No surface or air parcel post service.

Montenegro: Due to United States sanctions, mail is limited to a maximum weight of 12 ounces and may contain only personal communications not involving a transfer of anything of value, and publications or other informational materials. Air mail, regular surface mail, EMS, and IPA services continue, subject to the content limitations.

Rwanda: All mail services are suspended as of May 24, 1994.

Serbia: Due to United States sanctions, mail is limited to a maximum weight of 12 ounces and may contain only personal communications not involving a transfer of anything of value, and publications or other informational materials. Air mail, regular surface mail, EMS, and IPA services continue, subject to the content limitations. ISAL service is not available.

Somalia: All mail services are suspended.--Customer Service and Sales

Yemen: All mail services are suspended as of June 23, 1994

## Solar Propagation Forecast

Solar activity is still stuck in the doldrums with solar flux in the high seventies and low eighties. Solar flux is expected to stay near 80 for August.



## DX News Summary

- OPDX & BARF-80 BBS

**6W, SENEGAL.** Jean-Louis, 6W6JX, has been very busy lately on 15/20/30/40 meters. Check these bands between 0630 and 0930z, and again between 1630 1900z. QSL is via CBA.

**9M8, EAST MALAYSIA.** Dave, 9M8BT, has been on 20 meters. He was heard on 14220 and 14226 kHz (free style) between 1315 and 1500z. QSL via N5FTR.

**D2, ANGOLA.** There was a report that Rich, AA4HU, was heard active from here as D2/AA4HU. He was heard on the 14226 DX Net around 2245z.

**FH, MAYOTTE.** Elio, FH5CB, can be found almost daily on or around 14256 kHz between 0400 and 0500z. QSL via FH8CB.

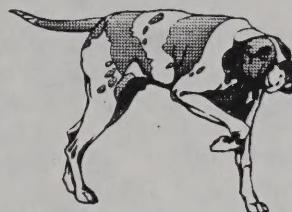
**OY, FAROE ISLANDS.** Two stations were heard this past week on 20 meters. OY1R was heard on CW around 14040-50 kHz between 1245 and 1545z. QSL via W2KF. OY1HJ was heard on SSB, 14258 kHz around 1515z. QSL via OY6FRA.

**S2, BANGLADESH.** Erik, S21ZG, continues to be active from here. He was heard on July 24th, on 14006 kHz at 0108z calling CQ, with very few takers.

**V85, BRUNEI.** V85KX was very active on 14025 kHz between 1230 and 1430z. QSL via G3JKX.

**AN EARLY CONTEST STATION REPORT.** Mike, N0BSH, reports he will be in PJ7-land in October for the CQ WW SSB Contest.

**SINGAPORE.** Michael, 9V1ZP, phoned the DXCC Desk on Friday to announce that 9V1 stations will be signing S61 plus their regular suffix for one month starting August 13, 1994. This is in celebration of the 25th anniversary of IARU member-society SARTS, the Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society.



**Allen County Fox Hunt**

The June Fox hunt was won by KB9DOP and KB9DOS.

The next Allen County/Fort Wayne Area Fox Hunt will take place on Monday, August 8 at 19:00. Meet at the Allen County Fairgrounds on Carroll Rd. You don't have to own DF equipment to participate. There is always plenty of room to ride along! The fox will be on 146.43 MHz.

## FCC to Reorganize

The FCC has proposed to reorganize several of its bureaus and offices. A new Wireless Telecommunications Bureau is to have as a co-deputy chief Ralph Haller, who currently is chief of the Private Radio Bureau and is well known to amateurs.

Richard M. Smith, now head of the field operations bureau, is to be chief of a new office of engineering and technology.

Beverly Baker who is now deputy chief of the Private Radio Bureau, is to become chief of the Field Operations Bureau.

FCC chairman Reed Hundt said, in announcing the proposed reorganization, that wireless and international were the areas calling for the "biggest changes." He said that personal communications systems and other emerging technologies made a wireless bureau necessary.

Hundt said that an International Bureau "will better meet the challenges ahead as the FCC continues its role in international telecommunications, working with the Department of State and National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) in the promotion of the global information infrastructure."

Scott Blake Harris is to be chief of the new International Bureau. He currently is the chief of the Office of International Communications.

The reorganization will become effective when formal commission and Congressional approval has been obtained, as well as approval of the labor union representing FCC employees.

# For Sale...

Realistic HTX202 2 meter handheld. Brand new. \$190.

and

Magnavox "military pop-up" tower. 45 ft tall. 7 ft aluminum tube construction. Guy wires & stakes included. \$100. Contact Kris, KF9AW



Do you have an interesting article, news item, or cartoon which you can contribute to the Hamsplatter? Do you have some spare equipment collecting dust that you want to sell? If so, please contact me, Kris, KF9AW. My day phone is 487-3286, evenings 486-7324. Packet messages can be directed to me on 144.91, cluster KR9U or K1FJ-2, or on 144.97, W9INX.

## \*\*\*\*\* 1994 MEMBERSHIP DATA:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CALL \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: N T G A E

MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK TELEPHONE # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

SHALL WE LIST YOUR ADDR/PHONE# IN MEMBER ROSTER? Y N ARRL MEMBER? Y N

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MEMBERSHIP TERM: (JAN-DEC) (JULY-DEC, July 1-Dec 31 ONLY)

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP:        \$21.00/yr      \$10.50/yr immediate family(list all calls)

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:        \$15.00/yr      \$7.50/yr licensed member

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP:        \$ 6.00/yr      \$3.00/yr full time student

ASSOCIATE MEMBER:        \$15.00/yr      \$7.50/yr unlicensed member

YOUR CHECK NUMBER # \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE PAY BY CHECK, IT'S EASIER FOR BOTH OF US!

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PLEASE RENEW YOUR ARRL MEMBERSHIP THROUGH THE FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB, INC.  
ITS EASY! SEND YOUR ARRL RENEWAL FORM AND A CHECK (payable to FWRC) TO THE CLUB.

## \*\*\*\*\* FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK

Provided at no cost to club members, this handbook provides a full set of information about present and past Club activities, events, and functions. The handbook is available in a clear cover binder, and is upgradeable by easy insertion of new pages into the three-hole binder.

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